



Hurricane Florence QuickLook Posted: 12:00 EDT 09/14/2018

NOAA and NOAA Partnership Stations Relative to the Storm

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CBBT, Chesapeake Channel, VA

Duck, NC

Oregon Inlet Marina, NC

USCG Station Hatteras, NC

Beaufort, NC

Wrightsville Beach, NC

Wilmington, NC

Springmaid Pier, SC

Storm Analysis

Oyster Landing, SC

Charleston, SC

Fort Pulaski, GA

Active Stations Storm Surge Watch

Storm Surge Warning

Extent TS Force Winds Extent Hurricane Force Wind:

As of 09/14/2018 12:00 EDT, water levels along the North and South Carolina coast continue to be impacted by Hurricane Florence. On the Atlantic coast, water levels from Wilmington, NC to Chesapeake Bay entrance are between 1.5 and 3.5 feet above normal tide levels with the highest values being observed at Wrightsville Beach, NC. Within Pamlico Sound, stations at USCG Hatteras, NC and Oregon Inlet Marina, NC are rising and measure 0.5 feet above normal tide levels. Ahead of the storm, water levels from Springmaid Pier, SC to Charleston, SC are below

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normal tide levels and range between -3.0 and -0.5 feet respectively with persistent offshore flow.

Winds from Wrightsville Beach, NC to Chesapeake Bay Entrance range between 20 and 50 knots with the strongest winds at Wrightsville Beach, NC with gusts up to 60 knots have been measured. Barometric pressure has started to rise North and East of Wilmington, NC but continues to drop South and West of that location.

Water Level and Meteorological plots available below are updated automatically. A line denoting <u>Mean Higher High</u> <u>Water</u> (MHHW) is displayed to provide an approximate indication of when flooding inundation may occur.

For additional real-time and historical inundation information for select stations affected by this storm, please visit <u>Coastal Inundation Dashboard</u>. For additional data, please see the <u>Center for Operational Oceanographic</u> Products & Services website.

For more information or archived products and reports, please visit the **Storm QuickLook** Homepage.

Analyst: RCL			

Select National Hurricane Center Advisory:

Hurricane Florence Advisory Number 61 NWS National Hurricane Center Miami FL 1100 AM EDT Fri Sep 14 2018

- ...FLORENCE JUST INLAND NEAR CAPE FEAR NORTH CAROLINA...
 ...LIFE-THREATENING STORM SURGES AND HURRICANE-FORCE WIND GUSTS
- ...LIFE-THREATENING STORM SURGES AND HURRICANE-FORCE WIND GUSTS CONTINUE...
- ...CATASTROPHIC FRESHWATER FLOODING EXPECTED OVER PORTIONS OF NORTH AND SOUTH CAROLINA...

SUMMARY OF 1100 AM EDT...1500 UTC...INFORMATION

LOCATION...34.0N 78.0W
ABOUT 20 MI...30 KM SW OF WILMINGTON NORTH CAROLINA
ABOUT 55 MI...90 KM ENE OF MYRTLE BEACH SOUTH CAROLINA
MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS...80 MPH...130 KM/H
PRESENT MOVEMENT...WSW OR 245 DEGREES AT 3 MPH...6 KM/H
MINIMUM CENTRAL PRESSURE...958 MB...28.29 INCHES

WATCHES AND WARNINGS

CHANGES WITH THIS ADVISORY:

The Tropical Storm Warning has been discontinued north of Duck, North Carolina, including the Chesapeake Bay south of New Point Comfort. The Hurricane Warning has been changed to a Tropical Storm Warning from Duck, North Carolina, south to Bogue Inlet, including the Albemarle Sound.

SUMMARY OF WATCHES AND WARNINGS IN EFFECT:

A Storm Surge Warning is in effect for...

- * South Santee River South Carolina to Duck North Carolina
- * Albemarle and Pamlico Sounds, including the Neuse and Pamlico Rivers

A Storm Surge Watch is in effect for...

* Edisto Beach South Carolina to South Santee River South Carolina

A Hurricane Warning is in effect for...

- * South Santee River South Carolina to Bogue Inlet North Carolina
- * Pamlico Sound

A Hurricane Watch is in effect for...

* Edisto Beach South Carolina to South Santee River South Carolina

A Tropical Storm Warning is in effect for...

- * Edisto Beach South Carolina to South Santee River South Carolina
- * Bogue Inlet North Carolina to Duck North Carolina
- * Albemarle Sound

Interests elsewhere in the southeastern and mid-Atlantic states should monitor the progress of Florence.

For storm information specific to your area, including possible inland watches and warnings, please monitor products issued by your local National Weather Service forecast office.

DISCUSSION AND OUTLOOK

At 1100 AM EDT (1500 UTC), the center of Hurricane Florence was located near latitude 34.0 North, longitude 78.0 West. Florence is moving toward the west-southwest near 3 mph (6 km/h). A slow westward to west-southwestward motion is expected today through Saturday. On the forecast track, the center of Florence will move further inland across extreme southeastern North Carolina and extreme eastern South Carolina today and Saturday. Florence will then move generally northward across the western Carolinas and the central Appalachian Mountains early next week.

Maximum sustained winds are near 80 mph (130 km/h) with higher gusts. Gradual weakening is forecast later today and tonight. Significant weakening is expected over the weekend and into early next week while Florence moves farther inland.

Hurricane-force winds extend outward up to 70 miles (110 km) from the center and tropical-storm-force winds extend outward up to 195 miles (315 km). A wind gust to 75 mph (120 km/h) was recently reported at the National Ocean Service station in Wrightsville Beach, and a 72 mph (116 km/h) was recently reported at a Weatherflow site just north of Cape Fear at Federal Point.

The estimated minimum central pressure based on surface observations is 958 mb (28.29 inches).

HAZARDS AFFECTING LAND

STORM SURGE: The combination of a dangerous storm surge and the tide will cause normally dry areas near the coast to be flooded by rising waters moving inland from the shoreline. The water has the potential to reach the following heights above ground...

Cape Fear NC to Cape Lookout NC...7-11 ft, with locally higher amounts in the Neuse, Pamlico, Pungo, and Bay Rivers Cape Lookout NC to Ocracoke Inlet NC...6-9 ft South Santee River SC to Cape Fear NC...4-6 ft Ocracoke Inlet NC to Salvo NC...4-6 ft Salvo NC to Duck NC...2-4 ft Edisto Beach SC to South Santee River SC...2-4 ft

The deepest water will occur along the immediate coast in areas of onshore winds, where the surge will be accompanied by large and destructive waves. Surge-related flooding can vary greatly over short distances. For information specific to your area, please see products issued by your local National Weather Service forecast office.

RAINFALL: Florence is expected to produce heavy and excessive rainfall in the following areas...

Southeastern coastal North Carolina into far northeastern South Carolina...an additional 20 to 25 inches, with isolated storm totals of 30 to 40 inches. This rainfall will produce catastrophic flash flooding and prolonged significant river flooding.

Remainder of South Carolina and North Carolina into southwest Virginia...5 to 10 inches, isolated 15 inches. This rainfall will produce life-threatening flash flooding.

Rainfall totals exceeding 14 inches thus far have been reported at several locations across southeastern North Carolina.

TORNADOES: A few tornadoes are possible in eastern North Carolina today.

SURF: Swells generated by Florence are affecting Bermuda, portions of the U.S. East Coast, and the northwestern and central Bahamas. These swells are likely to cause life-threatening surf and rip current conditions. Please consult products from your local weather office.

NEXT ADVISORY

Next intermediate advisory at 200 PM EDT. Next complete advisory at 500 PM EDT.

Forecaster Stewart

For the purpose of timely release, data contained within this QuickLook have undergone a "limited" NOS Quality Assurance/Control; however, the data have not yet undergone final verification. All data subject to NOS verification.

Jump to: Wrightsville Beach - Water Level, Wrightsville Beach - Winds, Wrightsville Beach - Barometric, Beaufort,

Duke Marine Lab - Water Level, Beaufort, Duke Marine Lab - Winds, Beaufort, Duke Marine Lab - Barometric,

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Chesapeake Channel - Winds, CBBT, Chesapeake Channel - Barometric, Wilmington - Water Level, Wilmington
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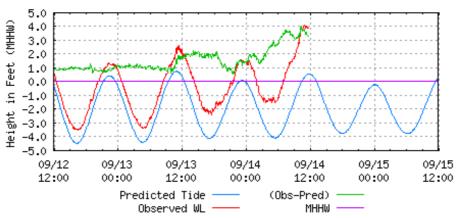
Springmaid Pier - Water Level, Springmaid Pier - Barometric, Oyster Landing (N Inlet Estuary) - Water Level,

Charleston, Cooper River Entrance - Water Level, Charleston, Cooper River Entrance - Winds, Charleston, Cooper

River Entrance - Barometric, Fort Pulaski - Water Level, Fort Pulaski - Winds, Fort Pulaski - Barometric

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8658163 Wrightsville Beach, NC

Preliminary Water Level, relative to Mean Higher High Water(MHHW)



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT). Data relative to MHHW Observed: 3.79 ft. Predicted: 0.58 ft. Residual: 3.21 ft. Historical Maximum Water Level: Oct 4 2015, 2.97 ft. Next High Tide: 09/14/2018 11:46 (EDT), 0.58 ft.

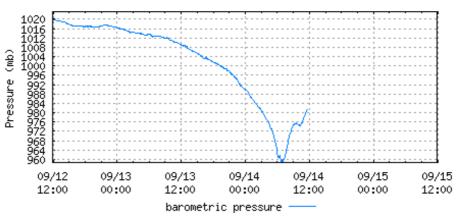
NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8658163 Wrightsville Beach, NC

Wind Speed / Gusts / Direction 360 70 60 270 direction (true) speed (knots) 50 40 180 30 20 10 0 09/12 09/13 09/13 09/14 09/14 09/15 09/15 12:00 00:00 00:00 12:00 00:00 12:00 12:00 direction speed gusts ·

Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT) Wind Speed: 41 knots Gusts: 52 knots Direction: 127° T

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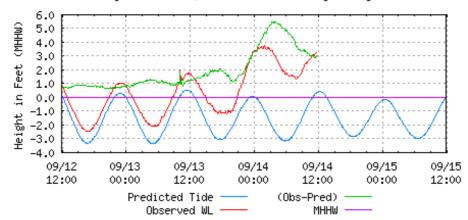
Barometric Pressure



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)
Barometric Pressure: 981.9 mb

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8656483 Beaufort, Duke Marine Lab, NC

Preliminary Water Level, relative to Mean Higher High Water(MHHW)



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT). Data relative to MHHW Observed: 3.33 ft. Predicted: 0.36 ft. Residual: 2.97 ft. Historical Maximum Water Level: Sep 19 1955, 3.39 ft. Next High Tide: 09/14/2018 12:14 (EDT), 0.44 ft.

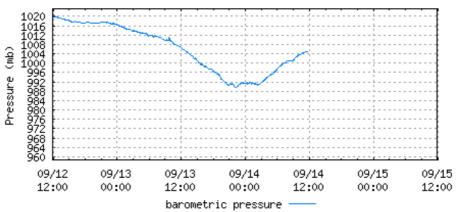
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Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT) Wind Speed: 25 knots Gusts: 41 knots Direction: 150° T

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8656483 Beaufort, Duke Marine Lab, NC

Barometric Pressure



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)
Barometric Pressure: 1005.2 mb

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8651370 Duck, NC

Preliminary Water Level, relative to Mean Higher High Water(MHHW) 2.0 Height in Feet (MHHW) 1.0 0.0 -1.0 -2.0 -3.0 -4.0 09/12 09/13 09/13 09/14 09/14 09/15 09/15 00:00 12:00 12:00 00:00 12:00 00:00 12:00

Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT). Data relative to MHHW Observed: 1.67 ft. Predicted: 0.36 ft. Residual: 1.31 ft. Historical Maximum Water Level: Sep 18 2003, 4.13 ft. Next High Tide: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT), 0.36 ft.

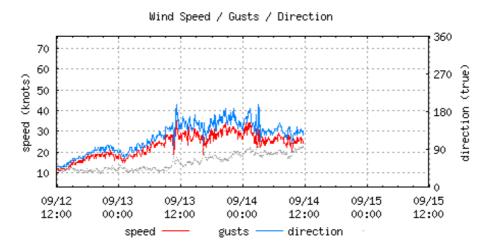
(Obs-Pred)

MHHW

Predicted Tide

Observed WL

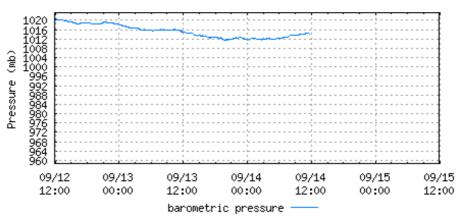
NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8651370 Duck, NC



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT) Wind Speed: 24 knots Gusts: 30 knots Direction: 98° T

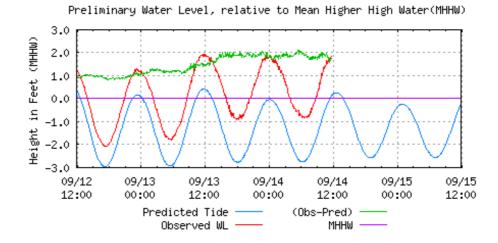
NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8651370 Duck, NC

Barometric Pressure



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)
Barometric Pressure: 1014.2 mb

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8638901 CBBT, Chesapeake Channel, VA



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT). Data relative to MHHW Observed: 1.76 ft. Predicted: 0.15 ft. Residual: 1.61 ft. Historical Maximum Water Level: n/a

Next High Tide: 09/14/2018 12:32 (EDT), 0.26 ft.

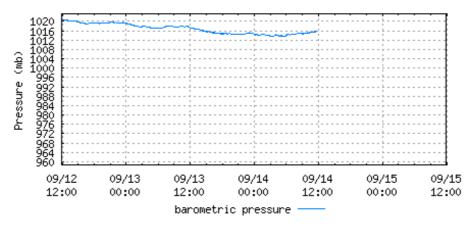
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Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT) Wind Speed: 16 knots Gusts: 21 knots Direction: 99° T

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8638901 CBBT, Chesapeake Channel, VA

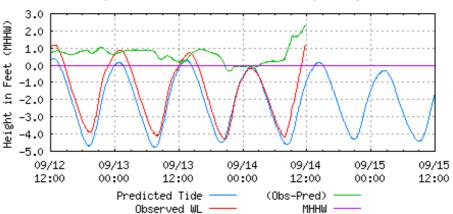
Barometric Pressure



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)
Barometric Pressure: 1015.5 mb

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8658120 Wilmington, NC

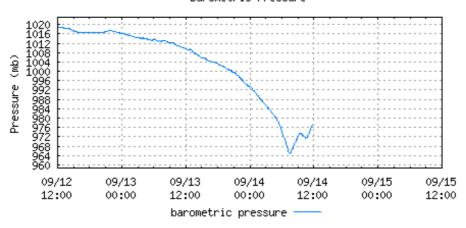
Preliminary Water Level, relative to Mean Higher High Water(MHHW)



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT). Data relative to MHHW Observed: 1.17 ft. Predicted: -1.12 ft. Residual: 2.29 ft. Historical Maximum Water Level: Oct 8 2016, 3.48 ft. Next High Tide: 09/14/2018 14:16 (EDT), 0.16 ft.

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8658120 Wilmington, NC

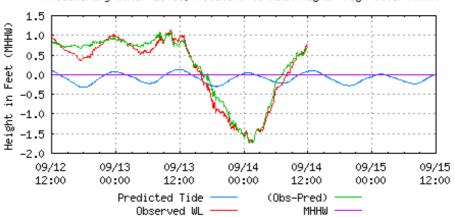
Barometric Pressure



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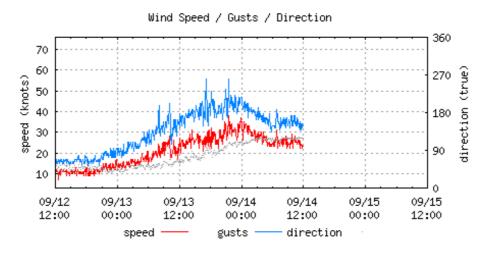
NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8654467 USCG Station Hatteras, NC

Preliminary Water Level, relative to Mean Higher High Water(MHHW)



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:54 (EDT). Data relative to MHHW Observed: 0.78 ft. Predicted: 0.08 ft. Residual: 0.70 ft. Historical Maximum Water Level: Oct 9 2016, 5.76 ft. Next High Tide: 09/14/2018 12:54 (EDT), 0.10 ft.

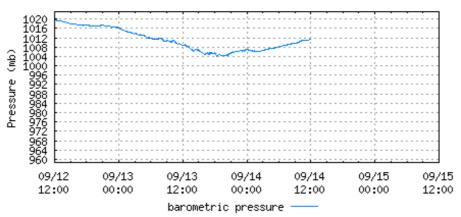
NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8654467 USCG Station Hatteras, NC



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:54 (EDT) Wind Speed: 23 knots Gusts: 33 knots Direction: 119° T

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8654467 USCG Station Hatteras, NC

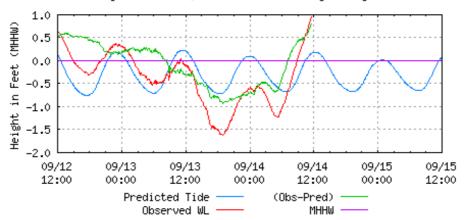
Barometric Pressure



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:54 (EDT)
Barometric Pressure: 1011.4 mb

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8652587 Oregon Inlet Marina, NC

Preliminary Water Level, relative to Mean Higher High Water(MHHW)



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT). Data relative to MHHW Observed: 0.99 ft. Predicted: 0.17 ft. Residual: 0.82 ft. Historical Maximum Water Level: Aug 28 2011, 6.31 ft. Next High Tide: 09/14/2018 12:17 (EDT), 0.18 ft.

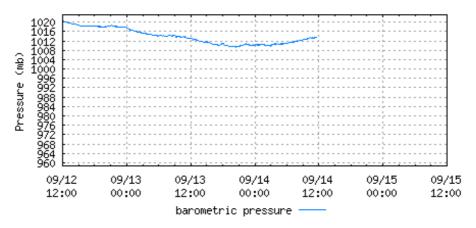
NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8652587 Oregon Inlet Marina, NC

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Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT) Wind Speed: 18 knots Gusts: 25 knots Direction: 98° T

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8652587 Oregon Inlet Marina, NC

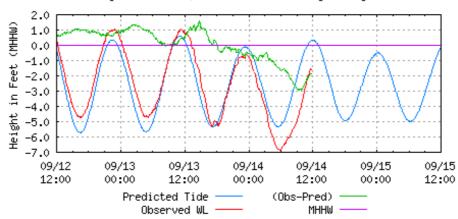
Barometric Pressure



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)
Barometric Pressure: 1013.4 mb

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8661070 Springmaid Pier, SC

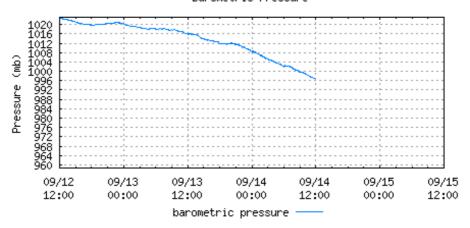
Preliminary Water Level, relative to Mean Higher High Water(MHHW)



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT). Data relative to MHHW Observed: -1.58 ft. Predicted: 0.31 ft. Residual: -1.89 ft. Historical Maximum Water Level: Sep 21 1989, 8.77 ft. Next High Tide: 09/14/2018 11:59 (EDT), 0.33 ft.

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8661070 Springmaid Pier, SC

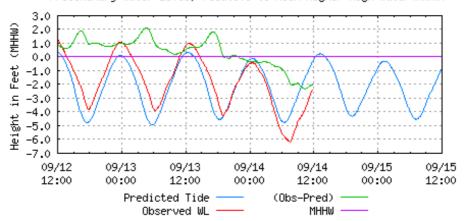
Barometric Pressure



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)
Barometric Pressure: 997.0 mb

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8662245 Oyster Landing (N Inlet Estuary), SC

Preliminary Water Level, relative to Mean Higher High Water(MHHW)



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT). Data relative to MHHW Observed: -2.41 ft. Predicted: -0.37 ft. Residual: -2.04 ft. Historical Maximum Water Level: Oct 8 2016, 4.64 ft.

Next High Tide: 09/14/2018 13:11 (EDT), 0.23 ft.

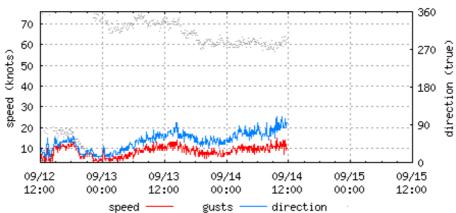
NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8665530 Charleston, Cooper River Entrance, SC

Preliminary Water Level, relative to Mean Higher High Water(MHHW) 2.0 Feet (MHHW) 1.0 0.0 -1.0 -2.0 Ë -3.0 Height -4.0 -5.0-6.0 09/13 09/12 09/13 09/14 09/14 09/15 09/15 00:00 00:00 12:00 00:00 12:00 12:00 12:00 Predicted Tide (Obs-Pred) MHHW Observed WL

Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT). Data relative to MHHW Observed: -0.73 ft. Predicted: 0.15 ft. Residual: -0.88 ft. Historical Maximum Water Level: Sep 21 1989, 6.76 ft. Next High Tide: 09/14/2018 12:28 (EDT), 0.31 ft.

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8665530 Charleston, Cooper River Entrance, SC

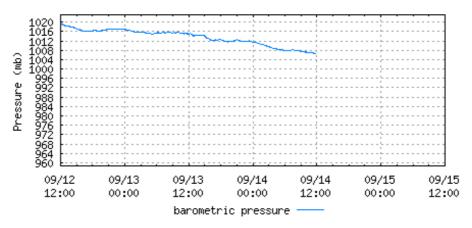
Wind Speed / Gusts / Direction



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT) Wind Speed: 10 knots Gusts: 22 knots Direction: 295° T

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8665530 Charleston, Cooper River Entrance, SC

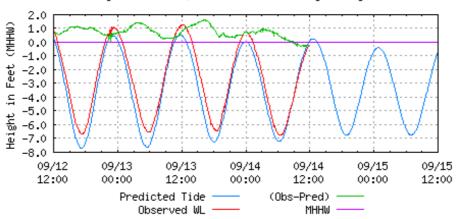
Barometric Pressure



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)
Barometric Pressure: 1006.7 mb

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8670870 Fort Pulaski, GA

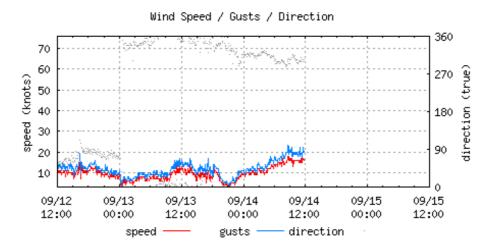
Preliminary Water Level, relative to Mean Higher High Water(MHHW)



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT). Data relative to MHHW Observed: -0.26 ft. Predicted: -0.06 ft. Residual: -0.20 ft. Historical Maximum Water Level: Oct 8 2016, 4.94 ft.

Next High Tide: 09/14/2018 12:36 (EDT), 0.24 ft.

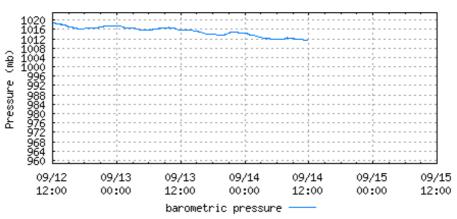
NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8670870 Fort Pulaski, GA



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT) Wind Speed: 16 knots Gusts: 20 knots Direction: 304° T

NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS 8670870 Fort Pulaski, GA

Barometric Pressure



Last Observed Sample: 09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)
Barometric Pressure: 1011.3 mb

Latest Water Level Observations on MHHW

Station II	Station Name	Date/Time	Observed Water Level	Predicted Tide	Residual Water Level	24 Hour Maximum Storm Tide
8658163	Wrightsville Beach, NC	09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)	3.79 ft	0.58 ft	3.21 ft	4.11 ft
8656483	Beaufort, Duke Marine Lab, NC	09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)	3.33 ft	0.36 ft	2.97 ft	3.74 ft
8651370	Duck, NC	09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)	1.67 ft	0.36 ft	1.31 ft	1.73 ft
8638901	CBBT, Chesapeake Channel, VA	09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)	1.76 ft	0.15 ft	1.61 ft	1.94 ft
8658120	Wilmington, NC	09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)	1.17 ft	-1.12 ft	2.29 ft	1.17 ft
8654467	USCG Station Hatteras, NC	09/14/2018 11:54 (EDT)	0.78 ft	0.08 ft	0.70 ft	1.00 ft
8652587	Oregon Inlet Marina, NC	09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)	0.99 ft	0.17 ft	0.82 ft	0.99 ft
8661070	Springmaid Pier, SC	09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)	-1.58 ft	0.31 ft	-1.89 ft	0.92 ft
8662245	Oyster Landing (N Inlet Estuary), SC	09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)	-2.41 ft	-0.37 ft	-2.04 ft	0.99 ft
8665530	Charleston, Cooper River Entrance, SC	09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)	-0.73 ft	0.15 ft	-0.88 ft	1.21 ft
8670870	Fort Pulaski, GA	09/14/2018 11:42 (EDT)	-0.26 ft	-0.06 ft	-0.20 ft	1.28 ft

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